On Long-term basis following measures are being taken:—

(1) Exchange of 100 mgd of treated sewage affluent for raw water from Haryana.

(2) To seek water from the Tehri Dam in U.P.

(3) Construction of a storage dam at Kishau on the Tons river, a tributory of the Yamuna in U.P. and of a dam on the Giri river, a tributory of the Yamuna in Himachal Pradesh. 200 mgd of water is likely to become available to Delhi on the completion of the aforementioned projects.

Strengthening of Central Plant protection Institute, Hyderabad

1291. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to strengthen the central plant protection institute at Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad in view of the increasing menace of pest and insect attacks in the country; and

(b) if so, what specific steps are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Strengthening will consist of additions to the teaching faculty and other staff, and additional infrastructural facilities like equipment, building, farms etc.

Anti-pollution schemes in Visakhapatnam Steel plant

1292. PROF. C LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest amount fixed for the development of Visakhapatnam Steel Plant;

(b) what part of the amount would be spent on the anti-pollution schemes of the steel plant; and

(c) what schemes have been suggested by the state pollution board and Central Environment Directorate in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Rs. 6849.70 crores as per fourth quarter, 1987 prices.

(b) Rs. 360 crores (approximately).

(c) Additional major anti-pollution measures suggested are as follows:—

(i) Monitoring of ambient air and water quality in and around the plant as well as Zoological Park and Kondakarla Lake;

(ii) Afforestation covering an area of 3,600 hectares, including 500-metre green belt along the boundary within the plant's acquired land;

(iii) Re-location of slag dump away from the sea-shore; and

(iv) Re-use of treated waste water for irrigation and afforestation areas.

Setting up of National Radio Station at Nagpur

1293. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the advantages expected out of the installation of National Radio Station of 1000 KV transmitter at Nagpur;

(b) the area likely to be covered by this new transmitter;

(c) the expenditure incurred over this installation; and

(d) whether Government propose to install 20 or 25, 5 to 10 KV power A M transmitter at different regional centres in the country playing the same pre-recorded tapes at the same time?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING